

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

The present invention provides a data playback apparatus which can judge whether digital data which are composed of a first data part including attribute information, and second data part which is subsequent to the first data part and in which compressively coded audio and video data are multiplexed can be played back or not at a timing when the first data part has been received. An analysis means 105 which receives the first data part in the digital data to be analyzed has a function of detecting a data structure element having a predefined value from the first data part, and stops its operation of a receiving means 101 when the data structure element is not detected.

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